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1. SUBSEQUENT MILLER-ORTMAN TELCON JULY 15,
WE IMMEDIATELY CONTACTED MME. LA BATUT OF FOREIGN
MINISTRY TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER WOULD BE POSSIBLE
SCHEDULE TALKS WITH WALDMANN WEEK OF JULY 29. SHE
HAD EARLIER INDICATED TO US THAT WEEK OF JULY 29
WAS OUT INsofar AS GOF WAS CONCERNED AND HAD EXPRESSED
PREFERENCE FOR DATES LAST FULL WEEK IN JULY IN
THAT ORDER GIVEN PARIS 16992. WE EXPLAINED THAT
WALDMANN WAS TIED UP BECAUSE OF GENEVA MEETINGS
AND OTHER COMMITMENTS THROUGHOUT WEEK OF JULY 22
AND WE URGED THAT SPECIAL EFFORT BE MADE SCHEDULE
MEETING WITH HIM DURING WEEK OF JULY 29. MME.
LA BATUT EXPLAINED THAT ALL GOF OFFICIALS CONCERNED
WITH ICAO MATTERS AT FOREIGN MINISTRY AND SGAC
WOULD BE ON VACATION OR ON MISSION ABROAD DURING
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WEEK OF JULY 29, WITH RESULT THAT IF WALDMANN

CAME TO PARIS THAT WEEK HE WOULD HAVE TO BE RECEIVED BY GOF OFFICIAL WHOLLY UNFAMILIAR WITH ICAO QUESTIONS WHO WOULD ONLY LISTEN AND NOT BE IN A POSITION TO GIVE ANY ANSWERS. SHE THEREFORE QUESTIONED THE UTILITY OF SUCH AN EXERCISE. HOWEVER, SHE UNDERTOOK CANVASS INTERESTED GOF OFFICIALS ONCE AGAIN IN FINAL EFFORT SEE WHETHER SOMETHING COULD BE WORKED OUT FOR WEEK OF JULY 29.

2. WHEN CONTACTED AGAIN TODAY UPON OUR RECEIPT REFTEL, MME. LA BATUT SAID THAT FURTHER QUERIES HAD ONLY CONFIRMED IMPOSSIBILITY OF SCHEDULING MEETING FOR WEEK OF JULY 29 AND SHE SUGGESTED THEREFORE THAT PLANS FOR MEETING BE DROPPED. WHILE GOF WOULD WELCOME GIVE-AND-TAKE DISCUSSION WITH VISITING USG OFFICIALS ON ICAO ASSEMBLY ITEMS, AS FAR AS GOF WAS CONCERNED ONLY TIME THIS COULD BE SCHEDULED AFTER WEEK OF JULY 22 WOULD BE LATE AUGUST OR EARLY SEPTEMBER. OTHERWISE, FOREIGN MINISTRY WOULD BE CONTENT CONTINUE EXCHANGE VIEWS ON SUCH MATTERS WITH EMBASSY.
IRWIN

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